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Beautification Club: A Heartfelt Thank You and Congrats to John “JT” Turner

By Jill Muschong

Five years ago, a small group of LSA residents had the vision to start a new club at Lake Summerset. In November of 2021 the Beautification Club was realized. What started as a bold idea developed into a thriving group of volunteers who have helped transform our community.

Our goal was select new paint colors to update the dated beige on beige color palette of our community. Once those colors were presented and voted on we created a set of brand standards and style sheets for all committees to reference in the future. Consistency and adherence to brand standards are vital to the overall aesthetic and look of a well-maintained community.

We also redesigned and produced all new signage for the entire LSA property. These new signs infused branded colors pulled from the LSA logo, symbols to accompany wording and more welcoming language. We rebranded the pool colors from beige and brown to yellow, white and nautical blue. We fundraised and volunteered labor hours to rebuild and paint 150 picnic tables, benches throughout our community, the LSA gazebo, and repaired and painted 4 pavilions, including Mitchell Park, Harting Park, The Dog Park and the Kathryn Hale pavilion at the campground. We tracked our labor hours and our contributions from fundraising which totaled over \$100,000.00 in just 5 years.

A passion project of the club was to bring public art to our community. Three public art sculptures are now a part of the LSA landscape including, the Butterfly Bench “Lisa” at Duck Park and 2 Lyman Whitaker wind sculptures residing at the LSA Prairie and Juniper Park. None of it would have been possible without the dedication, creativity and hard work of our amazing volunteers.

Items we bought from our fundraising efforts included new pool furniture, new yellow pool umbrellas, 4 Polywood tables with sets of 4 chairs in the pool branded colors for the pool deck, new sand for Beach 2, new ‘park like’ garbage cans for the entire community, new entry gates for all emergency gate entrances and east and west gates. We funded the design and production of signage for the beaches, marinas, The Dog Park, the pool and many other signs. We contributed \$2500.00 to the Veterans Memorial. We rebranded all camp-

ground signage and purchased new entry gates for the campground. We purchased branded color ceramic pots & benches for the lodge entrance. We purchased stylish benches for the lobby of the lodge. The concrete corn hole games we purchased will be put to good use as they are located by the Veterans Memorial. We purchased all new Christmas decorations for the front entrance and east and west gates.

My commitment to lead the club was for a 5-year term. Although I am stepping down from the leadership role after 5 years, I will remain an active member of The Beautification Club and look forward to working alongside new leadership and our volunteers.

Thank you to all of you that believed in the vision of this new club and how we could impact LSA. The Beautification Club grew far beyond our original vision. Our members and volunteers have donated personal funds, contributed many hours of physical labor, attended meetings, and were vital participants in our various fundraisers including the LSA Branded Towels, The Beautiful Blooms Plant Sale and The Beautiful Concert at Mitchell Park.

My heart is filled with gratitude. Together we have made a lasting difference at LSA and the friendships and memories we have created mean so much to us. Here is to many more years of making LSA and even more beautiful place to call home.

We are happy to announce that John ‘JT’ Turner has stepped up to lead our club. John brings enthusiasm, commitment and knowledge in a wide variety of capacities. JT was the LSA ‘Tree Guy’ and was fully committed to educating the residents at Lake Summerset about the care and management of our tree populations. John has helped rebuild and paint picnic tables, shelters and beach tiki huts and has helped decorate our community for Christmas. John is a team player and is respected by his fellow volunteers.

John, with his horticulture background, has also been the lead in running our annual Beautiful Blooms Plant Sale which is a tremendous community event that our residents look forward to.

We hope you will give John the same support and encouragement you’ve given me over the past 5 years.

Lake Summerset Association Finance Meetings

By Mark Metzler

Dear Lake Summerset Community, As your Treasurer, I invite you to our Finance Committee Meetings, where various committees will present their 2027 budget recommendations.

These discussions are key to determining your 2027 dues. Join us for committee presentations, discussions, and member input. Your participation shapes our community’s future! See Schedule Below.



2026 LSA FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULE & AGENDAS FOR THE 2027 BUDGET

A. OPENING COMMENTS

B. CLARIFICATION OF RULES

C. BACK GROUND INFORMATION

D. COMMITTEE DESIGNATIONS

1. BUILDINGS, ROADS & GROUNDS - LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE
2. CAMPGROUNDS – CAMPGROUND COMMITTEE
3. PARKS AND RECREATION – LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE
4. POOL EQUIPMENT - STAFF
5. MAJOR LAND ACQUISITION - LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE
6. MARINA EQUIPMENT - LAKE PLANNING COMMITTEE
7. DAM MAINTENANCE AND LAKE WATERSHED MAINTENANCE - LAKE PLANNING COMMITTEE
8. VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT – VEHICLES COMMITTEE
9. OFFICE EQUIPMENT - STAFF
10. OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION - STAFF

2026 FINANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

AUG 15 - BUDGET RECOMMENDATION PRESENTATIONS – LSA OFFICE – 8:30 AM

- 1) BUILDINGS & GROUNDS
- 2) CAMPGROUNDS
- 3) PARKS & RECREATION EQUIPMENT
- 4) POOL
- 5) MAJOR LAND ACQUISITION & NEW BUILDINGS
- 6) VEHICLES

AUG 22 - BUDGET RECOMMENDATION PRESENTATIONS – LSA OFFICE – 8:30 AM

- 1) MARINA
- 2) LAKE/WATERSHED/DREDGING/DAM
- 3) OFFICE EQUIPMENT
- 4) ROADS & GATES
- 5) OPERATIONS & ADMINISTRATION

SEPT 14 - LSA BOARD STAFF COMPENSATION REVIEW – LSA OFFICE – 7:00 PM

- LSA BOARD EXECUTIVE SESSION

SEPT 19 - LSA BOARD BUDGET WORK SESSION – LSA OFFICE – 8:30 AM

- 1) NON-DUES INCOME
- 2) BUDGET ROLL-UP

OCT 12 - LSA BOARD VOTES ON BUDGET RECOMMENDATION TO MEMBERSHIP

- LSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

NOV - LSA TENTATIVE BUDGET PUBLISHED IN THE LSA NEWS

DEC 13 - LSA BUDGET VOTED ON AT LSA ANNUAL MEETING BY MEMBERSHIP

- LOCATION: LSA LODGE – 2:00 PM

BUDGET GUIDELINES AND GOALS

1. PROJECT BUDGET PLAN ITEMS FOR A MINIMUM OF 5 YEARS IN THE FUTURE.
2. INCLUDE LINE ITEM REPLACEMENT COST IN TODAY'S DOLLARS AND ESTIMATE LIFE OF ASSET. USE THIS TO CALCULATE COST/YEAR OR BUDGET AMOUNT FOR EACH YEAR. IF THEN YEAR COSTS ARE USED THEN ESCALATION RATE SHOULD BE NOTED.
3. PLANS SHOULD BE BASED ON NEED NOT “WANT”.
4. THE GOAL IS TO MATCH REVENUES AND EXPENSES EACH YEAR TO MEET THE NEEDS AND GOALS OF THE ASSOCIATION WHILE MINIMIZING DUES INCREASES AND AVOIDING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.
5. INCREASED COSTS DUE TO INFLATION AND AN INCREASE IN ASSOCIATION SERVICES AND AMENITIES ARE INEVITABLE. GOOD PLANNING AND COOPERATION ON THE PART OF THE MEMBERSHIP WILL MINIMIZE DUES INCREASES AND MAINTAIN THE HIGH QUALITY OF OUR ASSOCIATION.
6. DUES INCREASE GOAL SHOULD BE AT OR BELOW THE NATIONAL CPI (YEARLY INFLATION RATE) EXCEPT IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

ATTENDANCE AT THE MAJORITY OF EACH OF TWO CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS IS REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH VOTING ELIGIBILITY. IF TWO CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS ARE MISSED, ELIGIBILITY MUST BE REESTABLISHED BY ATTENDING THE MAJORITY OF EACH OF TWO MORE CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS. EACH MEMBER IS ALLOWED ONE VOTE, NO MATTER HOW MANY LOTS HE/SHE OWNS.

NOTE: MEMBERS PRESENT TODAY WHO ARE INELIGIBLE TO VOTE THIS MEETING, WHO ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING, WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THAT TIME. ELIGIBILITY RULES CARRY OVER FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR TO ESTABLISH VOTING ELIGIBILITY FOR NEXT YEAR'S FIRST MEETING.



More Beautification Photos on Page 7 of Section 2

Please Note

You can submit articles, Letter To Editor, classified ads by emailing lakesummersetnewspaper@gmail.com

You can submit business ads by emailing addesign444@msn.com

Building, Remodeling, and Repairing on LSA Lots

The Environmental Control Committee (ECC) requires building plans to be at the LSA Office ten (10) days before the Saturday meetings when plans are reviewed. Project plans must include elevations, framing layouts, dimensions, cross sections, and material lists as per building packets. Location of the project layout must be shown on the plot plan and lot pins must be located. Building packets are available at the LSA Office and office staff is available to help with the submittal of your project plans.

Revised 2/1/20

Lake Summerset Directory

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Website: www.lake-summerset.com Email: generalstaff@lake-summerset.com
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Office Hours: Tuesday–Friday 8 a.m.–4 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m.–noon

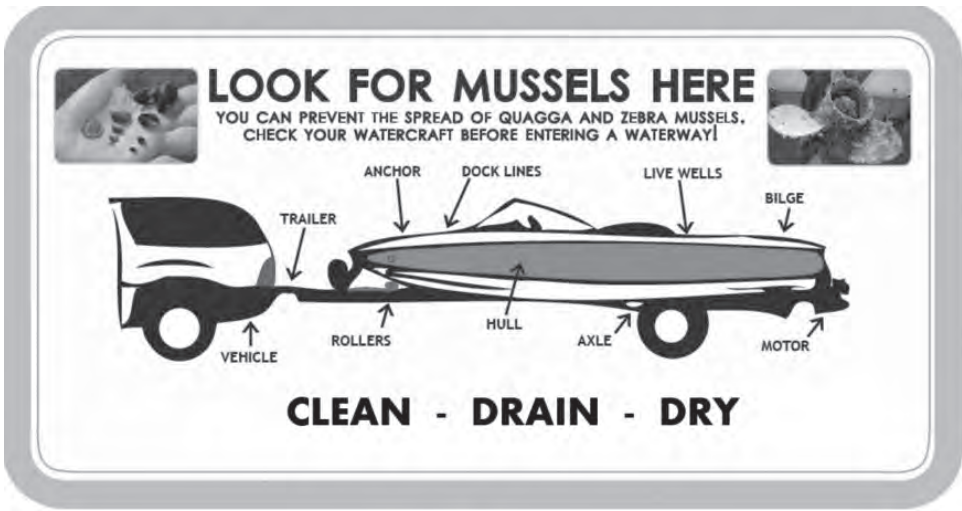
NOTE: When the office is closed, waste stickers can be purchased at the guardhouse. Access to the office drop box for submittals is available from the parking lot.

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Rock Energy Cooperative: 866-752-4550	

Board of Directors – Alan Andersen, President 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., LS Office	Dog Club - Diane Piquette Wednesday, October 7, 2026, 6:30 p.m., LS Office
Campground Committee – Dale Tunak, Chairman Jim Ostapa, Co-Chairman During Summer, Saturdays – 9 a.m., Campground	Fish Club - Jeff Giedd 1st Thursday, 7 p.m., LS Office
Community Relations Committee – John Kochanski, Chairman 1st Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Coffee 10 a.m. Business Meeting, LS Office	Hand & Foot Club - Joanne Leith 1st & 4th Monday, 1 p.m., Lodge
CRC Outreach – Dora Tippens, Chairman	Ladies of the Lake - Cindy Metz, President 2nd Monday, 2 p.m., Lodge
Environmental Control Committee – Jon Shrum, Chairman 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 9 a.m., LS Office	Mah Jongg - Dianna Kile Wednesday & Friday, 1 p.m., LS Office
Finance Committee – Mark Metzler, Treasurer August, September, TBA	Makers Circle - Laura Maguire 2nd Sunday, 2 p.m., Lodge ismakerscircle@gmail.com
Fish Conservation Committee - Curt Zawiski, Chairman 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m., LS Office	New Life Women's Bible Study – Carol Gattolin Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., Lodge
Lake Planning Committee – Steve Harting, Chairman Last Saturday of the Month, 8 a.m., LS Office	Photography Club - Jeff Folkerts & Kathy Webster lakesummersetphotography@gmail.com Wednesday, August 12, 6 p.m., LS Office Saturday, Sept. 12, 9 a.m., LS Office
Long Range & Facility Planning – Jim Ostapa, Chairman 4th Thursday, 6:30 p.m., LS Office	Pickleball - Mike Langley, President Sunday, 3 p.m., Pickleball Courts Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Pickleball Courts
Safety Committee – Jeff Walsh, Chairman 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., LS Office Isapublicsafetycommittee@gmail.com	Pinochle Club - Joanne Leith 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 1 p.m., Lodge
Social Clubs:	Red Hat Society – Shirlee Jasien 1st Wednesday, Location Varies
Archery Club - Britton Kauffman 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m., Quarry Park	Scrapbag Quilt Club – Mary White 3rd Thursday, 10 a.m., Lodge
Beautification Club – John Turner, President 2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., LS Office	Veteran's Club - Paul Gibson 2nd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Office
Bocce Ball – Randall Myers, President Every Thursday, 10 a.m., Bocce Courts	Writing Gals - Sharon Boehlefeld 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m., Lodge
Book Club – Rachel Kleven 2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Office	
Children's Playgroup - Kathryn Miller Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Lodge	

ECC Committee Reminder

It is the obligation of the Association Property owner to ensure they and/or their contractor(s) comply with the Redbook Requirements. Any construction started before posting of a building permit will result in a fine of \$250.00, plus the cost of permit fees, and a stop on construction.



Durand Area Food Pantry

The LSA Board of Director’s approved the placement of a donation box in the Lake Summerset Office Foyer for members to leave off their donations for the food pantry.

LSA Email Blasts

Do you want to get the latest information from Lake Summerset? Here is how to sign up.

Step 1: Go to www.lake-summerset.com

Step 2: Click on LOGIN - Type Member1! to Sign-In

Step 3: Click on For Members in the upper right

Step 4: The link to Email Blasts can be found at the bottom of the page

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DEADLINE IS THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTH’S PAPER

Message from LSA General Manager

By Michael Schmieder

The following is the Manager's Report to the Board of Directors.

BOD Agenda Action Items

Final approval of Resolution #R26-04-01 regarding the towing of inflatables in the "no wake" areas.

Approval to Reestablish the Lake Sunnset Book Club.

Lake Elevation

The lake elevation as of 11am on July 10th was 825'. The current lake elevation is at normal pool elevation.

Traffic Control Sign

The speed control sign has been relocated to the swimming pool on Lake Sunnset Rd. The speed limit in this area is 25 miles per hour. The data generated by the sign is reviewed by the Public Safety Supervisor and me, and it is also shared with the Public Safety Committee. These reports show that speeding in this area does exist but is consistent with previous speeding reports from other areas. The reports reveal that in this area, speeding is minimal and not disproportional to any other areas. These reports will be made available for review upon request.

Lot Sales/Property Transfers

15 LSA properties were transferred (sold) during the month of June vs. 11 in June of 2025. 53 LSA properties have been transferred year to date vs. 46 during the same period a year ago.

Lodge Concession

Francisco Lopez and Laura Gonzales have signed a lease to operate the Lodge concession for the 2026 season. The name of the operation is "Empanadas by the Lake" but they offer much more than empanadas. Burgers, hot dogs, snacks and soft drinks are all available. Empanadas by the lake is located on the south side of the lodge facing the beach and they are open Thursday through Sunday from 9am to 3pm. It's great that we have a food service option on the premises and I urge you to support their business, so they'll be motivated to return next season.

Annual Facility Inspections

The Illinois Department of Public Health conducted the annual inspection of the Lodge kitchen on July 8th. No violations were noted.

Optional Shoreline Weed Treatment

The optional Shoreline Weed treatment was conducted on June 22, 2026. Approximately 110 shoreline property owners participated in the treatment this year while 98 participated in the treatment in 2025.

Garage Sales

The annual Lake Sunnset Garage sales were held on Friday, June 12th and Saturday, June 13, 2026. Heavy gate traffic and attendance was observed.

Insurance Renewals

Our Insurance carrier is Cincinnati Insurance and our policy term is 6/30/26 thru 6/30/27. Our coverage includes property damage, automobiles and equipment, workers compensation, umbrella and executive liability - E. & O. Due to numerous factors, including the April hailstorm, our premiums for the next 12 months have increased from \$138,594 last year, to \$190,766. If anyone has questions regarding the Association's insurance policies, coverage or deductibles, feel free to contact me.

Storm Damage

The April 17 hailstorm caused significant damage to residential properties as well as buildings owned by the Association and the Otter Creek Lake Utility District. Insurance claims were filed on Monday, April 20th. I had a contractor inspect all of our buildings on May 1st and damage was noted to most of our buildings. An adjuster from our insurance company, Cincinnati Insurance performed an inspection of all buildings on Tuesday, May 5th. His report was received on May 27th and the report revealed that all roofs on the LSA owned buildings were damaged and require full replacement. The total amount of the claim for the Lake Sunnset buildings is \$477,414. Since last month, I've been working with our contractor to submit our request for the adjust-

er to reassess the claim. Items which were originally overlooked is damage to our swimming pool cover, damage to the synthetic tennis/pickleball surface and damage to the top surfaces of the aluminum handrails at Beach 2, Southgate marina and on the dam. I've also asked our contractor to provide pricing hail resistant shingles.

Roofing & Siding Permits

The requirement for a permit, issued by our Environmental Control Committee, for the repair or replacement of roofs and siding was established by the Board of Directors in October 2019. The permit fee of \$75 was also established in October of 2019. I've received complaints from some Members who were somehow led to believe that the Association implemented the permit policy and fee after the April 17th, 2026, storm. This is obviously not true. The Environmental Control Committee and the Staff are simply following established policy in requiring a permit for these repairs. It should also be noted that Winnebago County also requires a permit for the repair or replacement of roofs. Representatives from Winnebago county were on June 4th and they stopped work at two homes who failed to get a county permit. Most insurance companies will reimburse the homeowner for these permits. As of July 10, 2026, we've issued 451 roofing/siding permits.

Operations

Other tasks and projects recently completed by our Operations Staff include: Continuing to place UPM mix on roadway potholes, driveway edge repairs, and edge or road repairs. Refinished the boat storage parking lot. Started routing of numbers for parking designation at boat storage. Stickers have been failing, and as they fail we are routing the posts with the numbers. Cleared undergrowth at boundary trees by maintenance building. Weeded and cleaned the main gate, office, east gate, and west gate flowerbeds. Repaired the fountain at the main gate. Installed no taking vegetables signs at the gardens. Installed storm shelter signs at the camp-

ground.

Removed trees and downed limbs from storm damage at the campground. Cleaned up downed tree during storm across Knollwood Rd. Serviced the new MX6000 tractor after break in hours. Repaired ESC issues on patrol Equinox. Installed new men's and women's bathroom signs at the pool complex. Repaired the splashpad. Three separate incidents.

Launched the weed harvester. Beach samples every two weeks and OCLUD samples every two weeks. 1-ton transmission failed. It was repaired by the dealership under warranty. Serviced the remote mower. Repaired vandalized disc golf. Repaired shower plumbing on two shower stalls at the pool. Performed gate maintenance, including new gate arm bumper installation. Repaired gate counter at the main entrance. Repaired power issue at Quarry park. ComEd issue with power supply from up the line.

Repaired log splitter sheared pins. Performed health inspection at the lodge. Clean report from IDPH. Repaired conference room wall and repainted. Replaced broken electrical cover at the Quarry park bathroom. Performed maintenance mowing the Remote mower on ditches, auxiliary spillway. Weeded face of the dam. Repaired dam fencing. Weeded the dam spillway.

Challenges:

Still short staffed, but the crew is doing an excellent job working to keep ahead of our workload. We have hired one new full time staff, and we are working on hiring one more new member of the team now.



Walking Your Dog?

Don't forget to clean up after them.
All lots are privately owned.
Be considerate of your neighbors.
Violators will be reported to Public Safety.

Dog Park Reminder

Dog Park registration is now available at the LS office during business hours. \$30.00 for the 1st dog and \$10.00 each additional dog. Forms are available online through the LS webpage, our Facebook page, and Nextdoor page.

Public Safety Committee Looking For Volunteers

The Public Safety Committee is tasked with evaluating the Public Safety Operation and making recommendations to the Board on ways to enhance safety here at Lake Sunnset.

We are currently seeking volunteers who'd be willing to share their time and expertise to help set goals and standards for the department. Some law enforcement and/or First responder experience would be helpful but not absolutely necessary.

If you have interest in participating on this Committee or would like further information please contact Mike Schmieder at 815-248-2194 or by email at generalmanager@lake-sunnset.com.

The CRC Corner Community Relations Committee Upcoming Topics

August 1, 2026

Jeff Folkerts and Kathy Webster will be presenting Cell Phone Photography. The best camera is the one you have with you! Your phone is more powerful than you think! **Bring your smartphone** and join us for a fun and easy session on how to take better photos using just your phone.

Learn simple tricks for lighting, composition, focus, creativity, and hidden camera features that can instantly improve your pictures - no expensive equipment or experience needed!

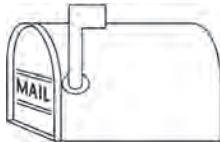
Welcome to Lake Summerset

<u>Lot</u>	<u>House</u>	<u>Members Name</u>
1819		Busko, Alex
262		Nieto Meza Hiram, Mario
789		Richter, Brian & Deb
	1210	Fischer, Todd & Grace
	585	Putnam, Michael & Cynthia
	1856	Stock, Mary Jean

Phone Book Changes & Updates

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	COMMENTS
Busko Alex 1819	112 N. Center Durand, IL 61024	815-540-7251	Add
Fischer, Todd & Grace	1210 Lake Summerset Rd	803-587-3384	Add
Haas, Walter		630-291-2948	Change
Morrison, Brenda			Remove; Keep Peter
Mozhayski, Tina 579	705 Calhoun Apt #68 Peru, IL 61354		Change
Nieto Meza Hiram, Mario 262	623 Rancho Circle Irving, TX 75063	608-498-9019	Add
Olsen, Paul			Delete
White, Patricia			Delete
Witek, Casimer & Christina			Delete

Additional 2026 phone directories are available at LSA Office - \$3



Remember

Tampering with mail and mailboxes is a federal crime.



Firewood is available at the campground
\$5 per bundle

2026 LSA Board Officers & Directors:

President: Alan Andersen
Vice President: Karen Franzen
2nd Vice President: Drew Tennant
Treasurer: Mark Metzler
Secretary: Roger Allen
Directors: Dennis Vizenor, Fred Kile

2026 Committee Liaisons:

Campground - Drew Tennant
CRC - Roger Allen
ECC - Dennis Vizenor
FCC - Karen Franzen
Lake Planning - Mark Metzler
LR & FP - Alan Andersen
Safety Committee - Fred Kile

Bulletin Board News & Updates

Attention Members with Boat and Camper Storage

Per the rental agreement, all units in LSA storage must display the member’s lot number clearly for identification purposes. Both the boat and the trailer must have the member’s lot number displayed. Citations can be issued for non-compliance and Public Safety will be checking the storage areas regularly.

Lost and Found Items

Lost and found items are kept at the LSA Office. Be sure to stop in and check out our lost and found if you have any items missing.

Special Holiday/Event Passes Labor Day

These special passes are available for members to give to their invited guests for these specific holiday/events. The forms and passes will be available at the guardhouse or LSA Office. The member must fill out a form for the specific holiday or event, and then the member will be issued passes to give to their guests.

Only one pass per vehicle is given. Most of the passes will be available for members up to three weeks before the holiday or event. This should be adequate time for the member to get the window pass to their guests. It is the member’s responsibility to get the window pass to their guests. It is the responsibility for the guest to have the pass taped to their windshield for quicker access into LSA. If the guests forget their pass they will have to wait in line and be reissued a duplicate pass by the gate guard.

Crime Stoppers

Call to report any information you have regarding a crime or vandalism. The caller does not have to give his or her name and a reward is offered for information leading to the arrest of suspects.

815-963-7867
1-888-769-STOP
Winnebago County

815-235-7867
Stephenson County

The LSA Redbook and Bluebook
are available on the Lake’s website
www.lake-summerset.com

Waste Stickers

When the office is closed, waste stickers can be purchased at the guardhouse. LSA and Otter Creek payments should only be placed in the drop box located in the office parking lot.

Durand Area Food Pantry August Distribution

By Sarah Loofbourrow

The Durand Area Food Pantry will be open on the following days in August: Saturday August 29, 8:30-10:30am and Monday, August 31, 3-5pm. Most needed items for August include noodle or rice side dishes, canned fruit: mandarin oranges, pineapple and applesauce, and dry pudding or Jello mix. Please leave any donations at any Durand church, in the white Lions Club box near the pantry door, the LSA office or Durand Pacemaker. Thank you to all who contribute to keeping our shelves stocked.

Thank you to Lynn and Andy Rill for delivering a large donation of peanut butter to the Durand Area Food Pantry. The peanut butter was collected during a golf cart fun run at Lake Summerset. Thanks for helping stock our shelves!



New Owners Continue the Tradition at Pecatonica Hardware

Jerry and Kelly Burchfield of Durand officially became the owners of Pecatonica Hardware in February 2026, turning a longtime dream into reality. Along with their children, the Burchfield family has embraced the day-to-day hustle of operating a hometown hardware store while getting to know the customers and community they are proud to serve.

On June 27, the Burchfield's celebrated their official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, welcoming community members, local leaders, friends, family, and customers to celebrate this exciting new chapter. The event was a wonderful opportunity to thank everyone for the incredible support they have received since taking ownership.

As they move the business forward, Jerry and Kelly are mindful of the strong foundation that was built before them. They are honored to continue the legacy of Ted Kramer and his family, whose dedication, hard work, and commitment to customer service made Pecatonica Hardware a cornerstone of the community for so many years. The Burchfield's recognize the trust that generations of customers placed in Ted and are committed to carrying on those same values while thoughtfully adding new ideas for the future.

For Jerry and Kelly, owning a hardware store has always been more than simply running a business—it is about becoming part of the community and providing a place where customers know they can count on friendly service, knowledgeable advice, and a helping hand.

One of Kelly's greatest passions is supporting local artists, makers, crafters, herbalists, and small businesses. That vision comes to life in The Workshoppe, a special space inside the store that showcases handcrafted gifts, locally made products, home décor, and unique creations from talented individuals throughout the region.

Since taking ownership, the Burchfields have continued expanding the store with new products and new inventory arriving every week. While they are putting their own fingerprint on Pecatonica Hardware, they remain committed to preserving the welcoming, tradition-

al hardware store atmosphere that has served the community for generations.

Pecatonica Hardware continues to offer just about everything customers need under one roof. The store features one of the area's largest selections of nuts and bolts, a full-service paint department, electrical and plumbing supplies, housewares, automotive products, lawn and garden essentials, hand and power tools, and much more. Customers will also find trusted brands such as Milwaukee and DeWalt, along with quality products for homeowners, farmers, contractors, and do-it-yourselfers.

As an independently owned and family-operated business, Jerry and Kelly have the flexibility to bring in products their customers request, support local makers through The Workshoppe, and make decisions that put the needs of their customers and community first.

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Daily/Weekly Rental Slips

Daily/weekly boat slip rental information will be published monthly in the LSA Newspaper from April through September.

Four (4) daily/weekly slips are available, and all are located at Duck Park.

After the annual slip lottery, a member in good standing can reserve a daily/weekly boat slip for three (3) separate bookings/dates. Each reservation can be for up to ten (10) days. Additional reservations may be made following the last day of the 1st rental period.

All payments must be made at the time of reservation and are non-refundable unless the LSA office can re-rent the slip.

Cost of rental: Daily rate: \$15; 3-Days: \$25; Weekly: \$50; 10-Days: \$75

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Please refer to the Lake Summerset website (www.lake-summerset.com) for the Campground Sub-Regulations. Click on LOGIN - Type Member1! to Sign-In. Click on Forms. Under the category of **Application and Registration** is the link to the Campground Sub-Regulations.

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Gary L. Woodruff, 72, of Davis, IL died on Wednesday July 1, 2026 in SSM Monroe Hospital. Gary was born on May 2, 1954 in Freeport, IL the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Evelyn (Nolen) Woodruff. He attended Dakota School District.

Survivors include: sister-in-law Jean Woodruff; sisters Mary Harper, Barbara (Mark) LaBudde; numerous nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his parents; 2 brothers. Private ceremonies to be held.

The ECC “Plumb Line”

The Dark Shy Initiative and Excessive Nighttime Lighting

The Dark Sky Initiative is an international movement which aims to reduce light pollution at night and protect the natural darkness of the night sky. The intent is to protect the health and welfare of humans and wildlife alike, while also preserving the beauty of the night sky for those who enjoy stargazing or those who simply want to enjoy the peace and serenity of the night sky. On the other side of this spectrum are those who prefer outdoor lighting that keeps one’s home or the community bright long into the night for safety, security, or purely aesthetic means.

For those living in big cities or large metropolitan areas, artificial light at night can be commonplace because of street lighting, large city centers, shopping centers, or sports facilities. Those living in smaller cities and towns, or even in the countryside, can be less prone to these “big city” light sources, but they too can be subject to light pollution from other sources.

Some communities are becoming aware of this problem and are developing plans to minimize light pollution at night. Here are some of the key points of these plans: 1) use light only if it is needed, 2) direct light so it falls only where it is needed, 3) light should be no brighter than necessary, 4) use light only when it is needed, and 5) if nighttime light is needed, use

only warmer color lights where possible. People are not the only ones impacted by unwanted nighttime light. Nocturnal animals can be harmed by light pollution because they have evolved biologically to be dependent on an environment with a certain number of hours of uninterrupted daytime and nighttime.

You might be asking yourself, “What can I do to prevent light pollution at night?” To begin with, many outdoor lighting installations at night are over lit, are left on when not needed, and/or are not properly designed to minimize nighttime light pollution. As a result, all this can lead to unwanted light pollution that can negatively affect our environment as well as our quality of life.

The LSA Blue Book and Red Book have no specific rules regarding excessive light at night. However, the Winnebago County code prohibits conditions or uses of properties that deprive any person of the “usual and reasonable enjoyment” of their property which can include excessive glare or blinding light. The Red Book also notes that LSA adhere to the “current building codes adhered to by Winnebago County Illinois independent of the house being located in Winnebago or Stephenson counties.” LSA Members who feel that their homelife is being compromised by a neighbor’s excessive nighttime lighting may want to reference these rules when filing a formal complaint.

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Water Skiing Regulations

Please refer to Redbook Section 6
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Redbook Reminder Section 5.1.13

Consistent with Illinois Statute 625 ILCS 45 (Boat Registration and Safety Act), LSA prohibits the operation and/or placement of any Watercraft, Dock or Lifting System in the waters of Lake Summerset if any evidence of an Aquatic Invasive Species is present. Watercraft, Dock and Lifting Systems must be cleaned prior to being permitted to be placed into the lake if this evidence exists. LSA reserves the right to inspect any Watercraft, Dock or Lifting System prior to placement into the lake.

Jack Walsh LSA Volunteer of the Year Award

Nomination forms for the Jack Walsh LSA Volunteer of the Year Award are now available at the Lake Summerset Office. In 2019, the LSA Board of Director’s established the Jack Walsh Volunteer of the Year Award. Criteria requirements for the award are below.

Nominee must have served the LSA in a volunteer capacity for more than 5 years.

The volunteer must have made significant contributions to the Lake Summerset Association.

Must be a member in good standing.

The nomination must include details on how the volunteer has served the community.

Nominations will be reviewed by a three person panel appointed by the Board of Directors. At the November BOD meeting, the Board will meet in Executive Session to review and select the recipient. The award will be presented at the Lake Summerset Association Annual Meeting in December.

Volunteer Boat, Dock & Lift Equipment Inspection

The LSA Fish Conservation Committee (FCC) is offering to do a free Boat and/or Dock & Lift Equipment inspection for any member that has purchased a used boat or any dock & lift equipment that was used in a public waterway prior to using/installing it on Lake Summerset. This visual inspection will identify if any invasive species are present and will then provide the necessary instructions for cleaning and removal. Boats, Docks & Lifts should be brought over to the cleaning station located in the Main Office Parking lot for inspection. Any member of the FCC can be contacted to have this inspection done. Your support in helping to prevent Invasive Species from entering Lake Summerset is appreciated.



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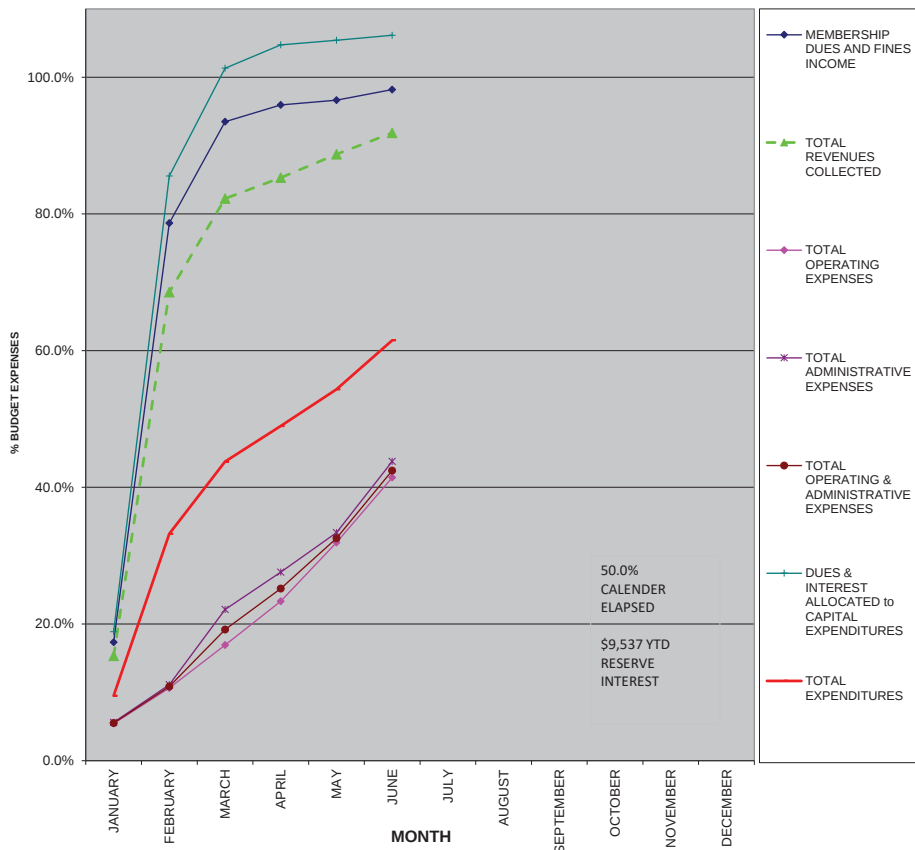
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MAY	96.6%	88.7%	31.9%	33.4%	32.5%	105.4%	54.3%
JUNE	98.2%	91.9%	41.4%	43.8%	42.4%	106.1%	61.5%
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MARCH	94.6%	82.3%	15.8%	16.8%	16.2%	95.6%	39.2%
APRIL	96.4%	84.8%	23.2%	24.7%	23.8%	97.1%	45.1%
MAY	96.9%	88.0%	29.6%	30.6%	30.1%	97.5%	49.6%
JUNE	97.3%	93.3%	40.7%	41.4%	41.0%	102.6%	58.9%
JULY	97.6%	94.8%	53.6%	60.4%	56.5%	102.9%	70.0%
AUGUST	97.9%	95.7%	67.8%	66.4%	67.2%	103.0%	77.6%
SEPTEMBER	98.2%	96.4%	79.7%	74.6%	77.5%	103.2%	84.9%
OCTOBER	98.3%	99.0%	85.6%	86.1%	85.8%	106.9%	91.9%
NOVEMBER	98.7%	100.7%	92.8%	93.1%	92.9%	107.1%	97.0%
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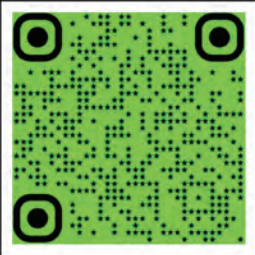
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Board of Director Meeting Minutes

**Lake Summerset Association
Board of Directors Meeting
July 13, 2026 7:00pm
Board Members Present**

Fred Kile, Drew Tennant, Mark Metzler, Dennis Vizenor, Karen Franzen, Roger Allen, GM Mike Schmieder, OM Joe Rush
Absent: Alan Andersen

Members Present

JoAnn Shea (1638), Doug DeSchepper (1673), Jon & Shelley Shrum (49), Jim Schnieders (852), John P. Gorman (2031), Bruce & Rosalynn Keirn (1959), Danny Kaiser (2228), George Pillion (794), Donna Weston (1002), Curt Zawiski (228), Steven Magoon (1672), Andy Rill (18), Jeff Giedd (2140), Daniel VanKirk (1221), Tom Bernardi (17), JT The Plant Guy & Deb Turner (567), Robert Quinnett (318)

Call To Order

Vice President Tennant called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Consent Agenda

Director Allen made a motion to approve the July 13, 2026 Agenda. Director Metzler seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote. Director Franzen made a motion to approve the June 8, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes. Director Vizenor seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote. Director Metzler made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote.

Manager’s Report

This Saturday is the annual Family Fun Day starting early with the Fish Club Pancake Breakfast at Mitchell Shelter, followed by the Car Show. The Veteran’s Club will have a Dunking Booth with several volunteers including GM Mike Schmieder who will sit in the booth to be dunked. Please come out and support our clubs. The Activities Director, Karen Durante has several events scheduled throughout the day. The Fireworks show will begin at dusk. The insurance renewal is due, the coverage year is June 30-June 30. The recent hail storm along with other factors has led to a rate increase of 35%. LSA and OCLUD roofs were damaged in the storm, those claims

are in process. A question on hail resistant shingles was asked at a previous meeting. That option is being explored. A reckless driving concern was brought to the Board last month and the discussion led to definitions and/or levels of reckless driving/neglect and how that can be addressed. That issue has been turned over to the Safety Committee. The bathroom at Southgate has a small parking lot which allows those with limited mobility to access the bathroom. That lot will be striped on Wednesday along with the parking lots at the pool and bocce courts. Director Franzen said she gets questions why LSA doesn’t have fireworks on July 4, and does have them on Family Fun Day. The firework display began with the 25th anniversary of Lake Summerset, and has continued every year since. Also, with the increase in traffic to the lodge will Dresden be designated a one-way street? Discussion followed. There is a meeting tomorrow to discuss logistics details of the Family Fun Day and traffic concerns will be discussed at that time.

Unfinished Business

Approval of the Board Resolution Regarding the Towing of Inflatables in the “No Wake” Areas – The 60-day review period, which is the time established for the community to express concerns or support on the issue has elapsed. **Director Metzler made a motion to approve Board Resolution #R26-04-01 regarding the towing of inflatables in the No Wake areas. Director Franzen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote.**

New Business

Discussion Regarding the Replacement of the Existing Weed Harvester Scheduled for Delivery in 2027

Harvester cost \$120,000. Trailer cost \$60,000. The model owned by LSA is 40 years old; parts are no longer manufactured and difficult to find. Discussion included; lead time for delivery, trade in of existing harvester, dealer willing to place on website for sale, payment to be made in thirds, functionality of new machine, staff training, OM Joe Rush added the freight charges are not included in this cost. **Director Metzler made a motion to approve the purchase of a replacement**

weed harvester at a cost not to exceed \$180,000, to be delivered in 2027 as recommended by the Lake Planning Committee. Weed Harvester to be produced by Inland Lake Harvesters of Burlington, WI. Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Discussion Regarding the Recent Safety Committee Request to Purchase and Implement One Call Now for Emergency Communications with Membership Starting January 1, 2027

This service is sometimes referred to as “reverse 911” it sends alerts through email or text message and is popular with School Districts. This service was previously used by LSA but discontinued due to lack of member interest. Discussion included; eblast system has 1500 member participants, eblasts are also listed on the front page of the website for easy member access, costs, other subscription services, use of system, access to system. The issue will be discussed at the next Safety Committee meeting.

Member Comments

Steve Magoon (1672) Would like the conversion of Eagle Park to a Prairie Park put on the next meeting agenda. Presented a petition with 35 signatures to keep the park intact.

Dave Orto (1910) Been at Lake Summerset 40 years, bought property, invested in the property, has an existing sand beach, read Redbook rule 15.3.9.2 requiring members to add a permanent barrier to keep sand from eroding into the lake. Director Tennant recommended meeting with Lake Planning Committee as they are charged with maintaining the lake and shorelines.

Robert Quinnett (318) Had a bad experience with a contractor, has a judgement against him and the contractor is able to continue to work in LSA. Could there be a list of contractors with complaints against them at the office for members to look at when needing work done to their property? Discussion followed.

Daniel VanKirk (1221) – Concerned with number of deliveries to members (groceries, restaurant food, etc.) by drivers unfamiliar with LSA entrance, language barriers, what passes are given? (red). Discussion followed.

Jon Shrum (49) Contractor issue further discussed.

Tom Bernardi (17) Weeds in the west end, is there a schedule for the weed harvester?

shelter sign took place questioning whether the campground bathhouse is certified as a shelter in case of a severe storm or tornado. The guard house will radio all departments to let them know about inclement weather.

Jason Rewert - He mentioned that there are chipmunks that have gotten into the bathhouse through the walls. He will fill in the holes. Jason works for LSA maintenance and has pulled small trees, removed brush, and cleaned around the Lake Summerset Campground signs with solar lights.

Sheila Hoffman - She asked whether solar lights, landscaping lighting, and uplighting with low voltage could be used in order to provide lighting around campsites but are not disruptive to other campers.

Question that came up on whether carports are allowed? This will be discussed at the next Campground Subcommittee Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10am by Sheila Hoffman and 2nd by Wendy Tunak.

**Unapproved ECC Minutes
06-19-2026**

Meeting called to order at 1:30pm.

Members Present

Dave Dini, Paul Gibson, George Pillion, Jon Shrum & Dennis Vizenor (Board Liaison)

Absent

Chuck Webster

Minutes of the 06-06-2026 meeting were read and approved. Motion: Paul Gibson,

Weed harvester is used as needed. Will there be a second weed application? Yes.

Dave Orto (1910) Concerns with sub-contractor’s insurance coverage as most contractor’s liability insurance doesn’t cover sub-contractors. Discussion followed.

Adjourn To Executive Session

Director Franzen made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote. Vice President Tennant adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelley Shrum
Recording Secretary
LSA Board of Directors

Executive Session

Director Kile made a motion to open the Executive Session at 7:54pm. Director Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

The Board was informed that payment has been received for citations related to a property owner for having numerous unregistered, inoperable vehicles stored on the property. This matter has been closed.

The Board discussed residential gardens and a garden which has been placed on a vacant lot.

The Board discussed a recommendation by the Lake Planning Committee to add a committee member.

The Board then discussed and revised the Standing Rules and the Board Member code of conduct.

Director Kile made a motion to return to open session at 9:02 pm. Director Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Director Franzen made a motion to appoint Greg Campbell to serve on the Lake Planning Committee. Director Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Director Franzen made a motion to approve the Board Director Code of Conduct as revised. Director Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Director Metzler made a motion to adjourn the July 13, 2026 meeting at 9:04pm. Director Tennant seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

LSA Committees Meeting Minutes

**Unapproved Campground Committee Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2026**

Meeting was called to order at by Dale Tunak at 9:00am. Drew Tennant, board liaison was not present.

Members Present

Jennifer & Jason Mesko 380, Kari & Jeff Giedd 2140, Dale & Wendy Tunak 749, Shannon and Geoff Brown 2325, Mike Schmieder 2209, Corky & Carol Harder 2051, RJ Cicatello 157, Sheila Hoffman 2050, Brad Curtis 2072, Jason & Holly Rewerts 2151, Carl & Jennifer Schorsch 1891, Jeff & Sherri Holmes 847

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Correction to June Meeting Minutes - Discussion among campers regarding the rule, 5.7 which states, “Outdoor lighting shall be turned off during quiet hours when not in use, or when leaving campground so as to not disturb neighboring campers. (Campground quiet hours are 10pm to 8am.) There was a lengthy discussion regarding the wording “in use”. Jim Ostapa discussed “in use” when you’re outside your camper. Mike Schmieder mentioned that if a camper goes inside for the night to turn the lights off. Meeting minutes approved - Dale

Tunak and Shannon Brown.

Agenda

Dale Tunak - no updates

Jeff Giedd - There were many trees that came down with the severe storms that came through during the Fourth of July weekend. Joe from maintenance will be getting bids to have a large tree that had partially fallen down to be removed. Jason Rewert mentioned that DNR or a community college can come out to determine if any other trees need to be removed. Jeff mentioned that they are monitoring any electrical complaints at the campground. Camp hosts maintain all of the campground grounds by cutting grass and cleaning around trees. However, if there are electric lines or water hoses around campsites, campers are encouraged to clean up around their site. There is a lawn mower, grass trimmer, and leaf blower that campers can use. Please contact the camp hosts to utilize equipment. The new playground equipment has been installed however there is a piece that is missing and will be shipped to be completely installed so that kids can play on it.

Mike Schmeider - Mike had placed a “Storm Shelter” sign on the Campground Bathhouse. Discussion regarding the storm

2nd: Jon Shrum

Number Of Houses Posted To Date In 2026

None
Appointments
None
Plans And/Or Prints With No Appointment:
1038 – Aliota – Deck; After visiting the project, an additional review is appropriate. ECC will contact builder to discuss details before issuing permit.
863 – Top Notch – Deck: Approved as submitted.
835 – Folk Concrete – Shoreline: Approved pending information on concrete reinforcement and anchors for beams
694 – Garcia – Concrete Pad: This was not approved during our 6-6-2026 meeting due to missing information. Owner provided the information and ECC visited to review location. Approved
New Business
When is the team available to start the north side property surveys? Team agreed to start on Monday, 6-22-2026, at 9:30am
Confirm the next ECC meetings. Does the following seem reasonable? July 11th, July 25th, August 8th, August 22nd then back to normal 1st and 3rd Saturdays.

ECC Meeting Minutes continued on page 12.

LSA Committees Meeting Minutes Continued

Team tentatively agreed to this schedule which places the ECC meetings on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of July and August rather than the normal 1st and 3rd Saturdays.

Old Business

Reminder: There will be a Meet & Greet during the Family Fun Day in July and the ECC should have a table. Meeting adjourned at 2:38pm. Motion: Dave Dini, 2nd: George Pillion

Unapproved ECC Meeting Minutes 07-11-2026

Meeting called to order at 9:01 AM

Members Present

Dave Dini, Paul Gibson, Chuck Webster, George Pillion, Jon Shrum & Dennis Vizenor (Board Liaison)

Minutes of the 06-19-2026 meeting were read and approved. Motion: Dave Dini, 2nd: George Pillion. Number Of Houses Posted To Date In 2026

None

Appointments

None

Plans And/Or Prints With No Appointment:

1949 – Tru Angle - Deck Extension – Approved as submitted

1464 – Jay Hurder– Staircase – Approved pending Winnebago acceptance of Screwable Post supports

1969 – Miller - Asphalt Extension of Driveway – Approval pending verification of depth of base

1101 – Reinhard Broy – Redecking existing deck – Approved as supported

2010 – Anthony Merlo – Deck Maintenance – Approved, reviewed and approved originally on 9/19/25

23 – Sean Moore – Deck – Approved as submitted

114 – Jake Apple – Concrete Pad – Approved as submitted

80 – Centerline Carpentry – Detached Garage – Unapproved, pending ECC verification of location

864 – Steve Malmowski – Dock – Approved as submitted

855 – Centerline Carpentry – Deck - Approved as submitted

72 – Screw City Restorations – Deck - Approved as submitted

2240 – Fritzel's - Shoreline - Approved as submitted

1050 – Deck and Roof Extension – Unapproved as submitted, will contact member for details

2228 - Breckenboro – Walkway - Approved, will discuss some details with member

964 – Self – Concrete patio, Pergola, Stairs – Approved, will discuss some details with member

New Business

Plan is to send out the 2026 survey letters by the end of July. The lists should be out before next meeting.

The LRFP Committee has asked if the ECC could provide some ideas on the remodel of the campground bathrooms. Would anyone like to take that on?

Who is available to man the “Meet & Greet” table during the Family Fun Day?

Confirm the next ECC meetings. July 25th, August 8th, August 22nd then back to normal 1st and 3rd Saturdays

Old Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 11:25AM. Motion: Chuck Webster, 2nd: Paul Gibson

Unapproved Lake Summerset Fish Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes 6/18/26

Meeting called to order on 6/18/26 at 7:00pm by Chairman Zawiski.

Members Present

Curt Zawiski, Jeff Wishop, Kevin Shirley, Jeff Giedd, Jeff Folkerts.

Others Present

Joe Rush Lake Operations Manager, Dan Van Kirk 1221.

Minutes of the prior meeting from 4/16/26 were read and approved Jeff Wishop 1st, Jeff Giedd 2nd.

Board Liaison Report

LSA to send out a letter on 6/18 describing the watercraft Launch Certification Permit (LCP) program.

It was confirmed by Public Safety that there was little or no traffic congestion observed at the main gate entrance over the Memorial Day holiday weekend due to the new boat entry procedure.

Action Items

Review 2025 completed Fall Fish Survey Report now on the LSA website.

A new bait supplier is now providing bait at the Mobil station across the street. The new supplier was unaware of the specific LS fishing bait restrictions in place and initially was providing bait that is not allowed at LS. Since this has occurred the FCC has communicated with the supplier who has agreed to stop providing bait that is not allowed at LS. Discuss restricting access to fishing in spillway basin. This idea is carried over until next meeting to gather more information.

Begin process of getting competitive pricing for this Fall stocking season. Walleyes – vendor selection, pricing and amounts.

Old Business/Carry Over

Lake condition is at full pool. Due to recent rain events, significant amounts of agricultural runoff has resulted in elevated levels of E.coli being measured at the lake swim areas. Beach 1 & 2 will remain closed until these levels decrease to the levels acceptable by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Fish Patrol read-out. No fish patrol interactions.

2026 Invasive Species Campaign

Zebra Mussel monitoring plates deployed at Juniper and Duck Parks. Rusty crayfish trap – lot 228.

Planning for participation during July 18th Family Fest (other than Meet and Greet in Lodge).

Fish Habitat at Juniper Park

Power installation is targeted for July or August.

Fish Crib

Review updated crib location documents. Review fall plan.

LSA Patrol Boat Bathymetric Mapping/ Survey Data Collection

Work in progress.

Spillway Monitoring

2026 IDNR fish collection permit received. Procurement of Permit to LSA Lake Operations Manager in 2027. Pumping of spillway basin to occur as

soon as water stops breaching spillway lip.

Mapping Specialist fishing map updates structure and old crib locations/status.

Adjournment at 9:10pm by Jeff Folkerts 1st Jeff Giedd 2nd.

Unapproved Lake Planning Committee Meeting Minutes Meeting Date/Location

Saturday, June 30, 2026, at 8:02 AM in the Lake Summerset Association, Main Board Room.

Members In Attendance

Steve Harting (Co-Chair) 2238, Ken Malten (Co-Chair) 36, Tom Mangan 853, Mark Metzler 50, Jeff Ramsby 409, Mike Schmieder LSA General Manager.

Absent Members

Jeff Folkerts 531, Joe Rush LSA Lake & Operations Manager.

Guests

Greg Campbell 680/1544, Andy Rill 18. Motion For Approval Of Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Jeff Ramsby to approve the LPC Meeting Minutes of May 30, 2026, seconded by Tom Mangan, unanimously approved.

Action Items

Davit Mounting Details / Lake Discharge Valve Inspection/Repair

Jeff Ramsby made a motion to recommend that the BOD authorize Joe Rush to hire Nick Kovenda to provide confined space assistance so that LS Operations can complete inspection/repair of the 18” discharge valve, ASAP. The motion was seconded by Ken Malten and unanimously approved. Jeff Ramsby continues to work with a crane manufacturers to develop a conceptual gantry crane arrangement to facilitate future valve inspections and repairs.

Spillway Chute Concrete Repair Plans

Joe Rush is working with Helm Construction to obtain a price for spillway concrete repairs while they are on site for the Pier Drive bridge repair work which is scheduled to start after Labor Day.

Tamarack Park Voluntary Clean-up Day

Tom Mangan reported that the third voluntary clean-up day for Tamarack Park will be at 9:00 AM on Thursday, July 23rd. The backup date for inclement weather is July 30. Available LPC members will attend and Mike Schmieder will issue an Email blast to LSA members requesting additional volunteers.

Meeting In Madison With Steve Garfield Of Eor On Permittable Sediment Basin

Mike Schmieder obtained several potential times to meet with Steve Garfield of EOR to discuss permittable storm water detention basin options. LPC members selected 9:00 AM on Wednesday, July 22 as the preferred meeting date. Available LPC members will

convene at the LSA office at 7:30 AM to car pool up to EOR’s office for the meeting.

Lake Water Quality Report / Phosphorous Test Plan Draft

Joe Rush was not in attendance to report on his progress on the standard operating procedure (SOP) covering the use of hypolimnetic withdrawal and phosphorous testing.

Nano Bubble Technology

Greg Campbell passed out an executive summary of the Nanobubble & Aeration Pilot Program he proposes for Lake Summerset. When Joe Rush returns from vacation, Greg will work with Joe to gather available lake physical data and forward it to John Morales of Mole-aer (nanobubbler manufacturer). Greg will then arrange a meeting with John Morales to initiate the pilot program.

Erosion Barriers At Grandfathered Beaches

Mike Schmieder reported that the owner of Lot 1910 (who was cited for not having an erosion barrier at either of his eroding grandfathered sand beaches) has asked for erosion barrier requirements and approval to add additional sand after erosion barriers are in place. The committee agreed that the owner needs to: 1) recover the sand that has already washed into the lake, 2) construct adequate barriers high enough to prevent sand from being washed over them during severe rainfall events and extreme wave action, 3) obtain an ECC permit for erosion barrier prior to adding any more sand. This location (in the fast boating and largest part of the lake) is subject to very high waves and therefore the committee suspects that the top of the barriers would need to be at least 18” to 24” above normal pool elevation to be effective. The committee also noted that when existing beaches were grandfathered, the lot owners claimed that additional sand would not need to be added because erosion was not occurring.

Fishing Boats Near Piers & Boat Lifts

Mike Schmieder received a complaint from a lakefront lot owner regarding fishing boats getting too close and casting under piers and boat lifts. Mike also said that he received a complaint from a fisherman regarding lakefront who have buoyed off sections of their shorelines. LPC’s consensus is that common sense and courtesy should be used to address both of these issues in lieu of proposing additional rules and suggested that the fish club prepare an article for the LS News addressing these concerns.

Weed Harvester Replacement

Many of the components used on the weed harvester are no longer being manufactured. Replacement parts are becoming extremely difficult to obtain. LPC has been monitoring the weed harvester for sever-

LSA’s Long Range Facility Planning Committee (LRFPC) Looking for Expertise Can We Count on You?

LSA’s Long Range Facility Planning Committee is tasked with implementing improvements to our community. Projects are often in the planning stages for years and in some cases a decade or more while necessary funds are accumulated. The Committee does its due diligence to keep project costs down and looks to engage community members’ expertise when possible during the planning process. From time to time, the committee needs items such as drafting a scope of work for potential projects, including project cost estimates, and drafting work. If you have any of these skills, and are willing to share your expertise with our Long Range Facility Planning Committee for the betterment of our community, please reach out to LSA General Manager Mike Schmieder (generalmanager@lake-summerset.com).

Attend LSA Board of Director Meetings
Second Monday of every month
7:00 p.m. at the LSA Office

<u>ECC – Requirements for Property Improvements</u>		
<u>No ECC Approval, No Permit and No Security Deposit</u> • Replacement exterior Windows & Doors (same size as existing) • Replacement of Driveway or Walkway (same size and with same materials) • Any Interior Work: Basement, Kitchen or Bathroom Remodel, etc. • Satellite Dish mounted on house	<u>ECC Approval and Permit, No Security Deposit</u> • Siding Replacement • Roof/Shingle Replacement • Deck Maintenance when <i>Deck is 30" or more above grade</i> where Balusters, Railing and/or Stairs will be impacted or decking material will be changed (e.g. wood to composite)	<u>ECC Approval, Permit, Security Deposit, Lot Pins, and Plot Plan</u> • New Home Construction • Home Addition • Garage – Attached or Detached • New & Replacement Deck or Porch • Concrete Pad/Patio (Greater than 100 sq ft) • Storage Shed • Shore Stabilization • Permanent Dock or Pier • Three- or Four-Season Room • Permanent Screen House • Pond • Lakefront Boardwalk, Patio or Retaining Wall within 20' of shoreline • Shoreline recovery LPC approval • Lakefront Construction • Solar Panel(s) and/or Solar powered electrical system.
<u>ECC Approval Only No Permit and No Security Deposit</u> • Tree removal (fill out form) • Lakeside Storage Container • Satellite Dish NOT attached to house and NOT in easement. • New Driveway, Sidewalk or Walkway • Fence exceptions • Culvert • New retaining walls within 10' side setback of the property. • Lake Mat	<u>ECC Approval, Permit and Lot Pins, No Security Deposit</u> • Dog Run • Gazebo • Non-Portable Firepit • Satellite Dish NOT attached to house but within an easement. • Hot Tub (outdoor) • Portable Dock or Pier	
	<u>Inspection and Verification of Lot lines/Pins needed when:</u> • Landscaping near lot line • Installing Brick or Paver Patio near lot line or lakefront • Concrete Pad (less than 100 sq ft)	
ECC Committee meets the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month. Verification of Lot lines & Pins are needed for most home improvement projects. County Permits are required for: <u>Houses, Additions, Garages & Solar Systems.</u> Winnebago County also requires permits for: <u>Re-roofs, New Decks & Pre-built Sheds.</u> Winnebago County- 815-319-4350 Stephenson County – 815-599-0344 Setbacks from pins - Front 33' - Side 10' - Rear ~50' Contractors can start working at 7AM Revised: March 20, 2025		

FOR NEW MEMBERS

If You Moved to the Lake in the Past Year

Come Join Us for Refreshments and Meet Your New LSA Neighbors. The next meeting will be held on October 10, 2026 in the LSA office from 10:00 to 12:00. Get to know people, like yourselves, who have recently moved to the Lake.

Information Available on LSA Website

Lake Summerset’s website, www.lake-summerset.com, has the following information available:

- Lodge Use Regulations
- Main & Southgate Marina Map
- Lake Street Map
- Campground Sub-Regulations
- Campground Map
- Snowmobile Regulations
- Snow Removal Procedures
- Pass Definitions
- RFID Rules & Installation Guide
- Disc Golf Score Card
- Disc Golf Rules

The above can be found on our website. Click on LOGIN - Type Member1! to sign in. Click on Forms and select the information needed.

Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers

1. When transporting your boat between waterways, remove any visible mud, plants, fish, or animals that may be attached to your boat or trailer off premises from where you will be reintroducing your boat into a different body of water.
2. Eliminate water from boat holding compartments and equipment before transporting (drain live wells, pull transom plug allowing bilge to drain, allow engine to drain by keeping it in a vertical position).
3. Dry all boats, trailers and equipment before use in another body of water (including carpeted/padded trailer bunks).
4. Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water.

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2026 Aquatics Schedule
Lake Summerset Association
Beach I and II

Open 7 days per week from Sunrise to Sunset
(Times subject to change due to adverse weather conditions, early sunset, or water safety issues)

Beach I & II Hours: Monday - Friday

Sunrise **Beach Open** (No Lifeguard Staff)
12 Noon – 6:00pm **Lifeguard Staff** (If available)
Sunset **Beach Closed**

Beach I & II Hours: Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

Sunrise **Beach Open** (No Lifeguard Staff)
10:00am – 6:00pm **Lifeguard Staff** (If available)
Sunset **Beach Closed**

General Beach, Pool and Spray Park Rules

- Parents and guardians are responsible for supervising their children while lifeguards are responsible for rule enforcement and responding to emergencies.
- All members and guest patrons are expected to follow the requests of lifeguards at all times; failure to comply with lifeguard requests and rule enforcement will result in loss of swimming privileges.
- Please refrain from talking to active lifeguards on the stand – they are scanning the water and should not be distracted or engaged. Please address questions to the lifeguards during safety breaks or seek an answer to your question from a guard who is on break - off the stand.
- Lifeguards have full authority on the beaches, at the pool and at the spray park - all lifeguard directives to swimmers in these areas are supported by LSA Public Safety Officers.
- A mandatory 10 minute safety break will be called every hour – the safety break begins once all swimmers are completely out of the water.
- Any child not toilet trained MUST wear a swim diaper or tight fitting reusable plastic or rubber pant. (Swim diapers are available for purchase at the Lake Summerset Pool).

Beach Rules:

- No glass bottles are allowed on the sand, in the water, or on the swim raft.
- No alcoholic beverages or intoxicated individuals are allowed in the designated swim areas.
- No dogs are allowed on the sand, on the swim raft or within the designated swim areas.
- No sand or rock throwing.
- No dunking, rough or otherwise dangerous play activities as determined by the lifeguards allowed.
- No foul language or disrespect towards guards, staff, members or guests tolerated.
- No toys, balls, rafts, noodles, water wings, or life vests allowed on the swim dock; no one dependent on a life vest or any other flotation device, should be allowed – or attempt to “swim out” to the swim dock.
- No unsafe diving practices off the swim dock:
 - o No front, back or side flips.
 - o No cartwheels or hand stands.
 - o No running or pushing others off the swim dock allowed.
 - o No diver should attempt to dive off the swim dock while other swimmers are approaching.

Pool Rules:

- Swim attire only allowed in the pool and at the spray park.
- No alcoholic beverages or intoxicated individuals are allowed on the pool/spray park premises.
- No glass bottles of any kind are allowed on the pool/spray park premises.
- No dunking, rough or otherwise dangerous play activities as determined by the lifeguards allowed.
- No foul language or disrespect towards guards, staff, members or guests tolerated.
- No running on the swim deck or spray park deck allowed.
- No unsafe diving practices off the pool deck:
 - o No diving into the shallow end.
 - o No flips off the side of the pool.
 - o No cartwheels or hand stands into the pool.
 - o No running or pushing others off the pool deck allowed.
- No unsafe diving practices off the diving board:
 - o Only 1 diver allowed on the diving board at a time with a 250 pound weight capacity.
 - o Only 1 bounce allowed on the diving board.
 - o No cartwheels, butt bounces, “hanging onto the diving board” or hand stands into the pool.
 - o No running or pushing others off the diving board allowed.
 - o No diver should attempt to dive off the diving board until the dive area is free of swimmers.
 - o All divers must swim to the ladder closest to them or under the rope to exit the diving area.
 - o No swimmers are allowed in the dive area unless they are in the process of completing their dive from the diving board.
 - o Only divers may swim in front of the diving board (after completing a dive) and any swimmers in the deep end of the pool must not swim underneath, or in front of the diving board for safety.
- No one dependent on a life vest or any other flotation device is allowed into the deep end of the pool.
- No life vests allowed in the deep end of the pool.
- No water wings.
- Water tubes are allowed only if they have a seat in them, and are for children 1 ½ years of age or younger.
- Only soft diving sticks are allowed in the shallow end of the pool.
- No climbing on the water features or spray devices at the spray park.

Thinking about renting your home?

Just a reminder that the Lake Summerset Association has sub-regulations in place for the renting of homes. These regulations include LSA approving application for renters, which means all paperwork for rentals needs to be submitted 30 days before the renter’s move-in date. Please contact the LSA Office before you rent to receive copies of the sub-regulations.



2026 Aquatics Schedule
Lake Summerset Association
Swimming Pool and Spray Park
Open 7 days per week from 8:30am to 8:00pm
June 15 – August 7

(Times subject to change due to adverse weather conditions, early sunset, or water safety issues)

Pool Hours: Monday - Friday

8:30am – 9:45am **Lap Swim, Senior and infant swim**

9:45am – 10:00am Clear pool, guard break, bathrooms cleaned

10:00am – 10:40am **Water Aerobics**

10:45am – 11:25am **Swim Lessons (Beginners & Advance Beginners)**

11:45am – 5:00pm **Open Swim**

5:00pm – 5:45pm **Lap Swim, Senior and infant swim**

5:45pm – 6:00pm Clear pool, guard break, bathrooms cleaned

6:00pm – 8:00pm **Open Swim**

Spray Park Hours: Monday – Friday

8:30am – 8:00pm

Pool Hours: Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

10:00am – 11:00am **Lap Swim, Senior and infant swim**

11:00am – 8:00pm **Open Swim**

Spray Park Hours: Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

10:00am – 8:00pm



2026 Aquatics Schedule
Lake Summerset Association
Swimming Pool and Spray Park
Open 7 days per week from 8:30am to Sunset
August 10 – Sept. 7

(Times subject to change due to adverse weather conditions, early sunset, or water safety issues)

Pool Hours: Monday - Friday

8:30am – 9:45am **Lap Swim, Senior and infant swim**

9:45am – 10:00am Clear pool, guard break, bathrooms cleaned

10:00am – 5:00pm **Open Swim**

5:00pm – 5:45pm **Lap Swim, Senior and infant swim**

5:45pm – 6:00pm Clear pool, guard break, bathrooms cleaned

6:00pm – Sunset **Open Swim**

Spray Park Hours: Monday - Friday

8:30am – Sunset

Pool Hours: Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

10:00am – 11:00am **Lap Swim, Senior and infant swim**

11:00am – Sunset **Open Swim**

Spray Park Hours: Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

10:00am – Sunset

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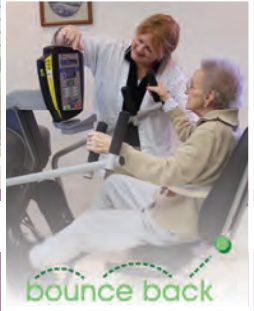
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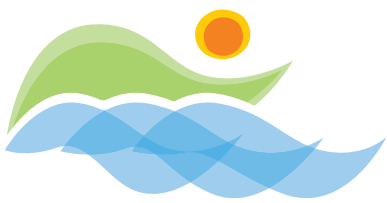
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Section Two

August 2026

Karen's Kolumn

What a summer it has been so far at Lake Summerset! The weather was crazy however, we had some fun events with more to come! We've had big crowds at Bingo (it has to be the attraction of our silly prize table and John's popcorn, haha! ;-), a wonderful Memorial Day weekend kickoff with the Veteran's Club, a super fun retro Disco Party and our annual Family Fun Day! Family Fun Day planning takes an entire year (already started for 2027!), lots of coordination with many groups and people. The goal is to have something for everyone and a day of making memories that bring a smile to all. We are very grateful to our Family Fun Day business sponsors including Best Realty, Morgan Real-

ty, Solutions Bank, The State Bank of Davis, and Your Boat Guys. Their generosity is instrumental to the success of the day. A huge thank you to the Ladies of the Lake for their generous donation and all the committees, clubs, service organizations, LSA staff, Popcorn John, families, and volunteers! Yay to everyone for being generous! Coming soon is our annual Ice Cream Party on Saturday, August 8th from 1-3pm. We will be giving you the scoop and you can top it as you want. We bring on just about every topping you can imagine. Join us and you will be glad you did! Then there is Bingo on Saturday, August 22nd. Be there to find out what new surprises we have on the crazy prize table. See you then and can't wait! Karen (and John)



IT'S ICE CREAM PARTY TIME!

WHEN:
Saturday, August 8th, 1-3pm

WHERE:
The Lodge

WHO:
LSA Ice Cream Fans!



JOIN US FOR BINGO!

Saturday, August 22nd

Card sales at 6:30pm
Games start at 7pm
2 cards for \$5

Dates to Remember

Ice Cream Social	08/08/2026
Finance Committee Meeting	08/15/2026
Finance Committee Meeting	08/22/2026
Bingo Night	08/22/2026
Bingo Night	09/12/2026
Finance Committee Meeting	09/19/2026
5th Annual Wally Raduns Muskie Classic	09/26-09/27/2026
Writing Gals Seminar	10/10/2026
New Members Coffee & Conversation	10/10/2026
Halloween Party	10/24/2026
Quarterly Otter Creek Payment Due	10/29/2026
Christmas Party/Tree Lighting	12/05/2026
Annual Meeting	12/13/2026
New Year's Eve Party	12/31/2026

*Dates subject to change - Look for more information in the LS News, on our Facebook Page, and Website



Dave Becke from Christians Carts N Parts presents LSA General Manager, Mike Schmieder, with a donation for Movie Night.



Don Morgan from Morgan Realty presents LSA General Manager, Mike Schmieder, with a donation for the Ice Cream Party.



Save the Date

Saturday, October 24, 2026

Halloween Party
Haunted House
Trunk N Treat

Public Safety Citations and Warnings

LOT	VIOLATOR	VIOLATION	FINE	TICKET NUMBER	CITATION DATE
666	Same	Causing noxious and offensive activities	300.00	13597	5/23/2026
666	Same	Reckless driving	250.00	12076	5/23/2026
666	Same	Destruction of property; mailbox and retaining wall	50.00	13722	5/23/2026
856	Same	Speeding on radar 44 mph in a 30 mph zone	150.00	13753	5/24/2026
125	Annual Guest	Annual decal and RFID tag not permanently affixed to windshield	50.00	12062	5/25/2026
713	Guest	Red pass violation vehicle parked at Lodge	50.00	12798	5/25/2026
2194	Guest	Red pass violation vehicle parked at Beach II	50.00	12066	5/25/2026
627	Same	Expired Night sticker on Polaris Ranger XP golf cart parked at Southgate	50.00	13784	5/26/2026
991	Guest	Red pass violation vehicle parked at Lodge	50.00	13782	5/26/2026
1944	Same	Unrestrained dog littering (pet waste) on neighbor's lot	50.00	13827	5/29/2026
1944	Same	Unrestrained dog roaming on neighbor's lot	50.00	13828	5/29/2026
713	Guest	Visitors fishing top of Dam without member	50.00	13595	5/29/2026
713	Guest	Red pass violation vehicle parked at Harting Park	50.00	13596	5/29/2026
2259	Guest	Lighting fireworks off at Memorial Gardens	50.00	13765	5/29/2026
232	Guest	Red pass violation vehicle parked at pool	50.00	13764	5/29/2026
218	Same	Making wake before 10:00am	50.00	13772	5/30/2026
402	Guest	Red pass violation vehicle parked at Lodge	50.00	13767	5/30/2026
907	Same	Outdoor lighting left on after 10:00pm when not present at campground	50.00	13735	6/1/2026
1984	Same	Expired LSA decal displayed on vehicle parked at Pool	50.00	13795	6/1/2026
810	Annual Guest	Expired Annual decal displayed on vehicle parked at Main Marina	50.00	13796	6/1/2026
1979	Same	Expired decal on golf cart parked at Beach II	50.00	13797	6/2/2026
1874	Contractor	Speeding on radar 40 mph in a 30 mph zone	100.00	13775	6/2/2026
523	Contractor	Vehicle pulling trailer through east gate exit	50.00	13829	6/3/2026
2114R	Same	Expired LSA decal displayed on vehicle parked at Pool	50.00	13798	6/3/2026
1997	Same	Expired decal displayed on vehicle parked at Pool	50.00	13831	6/5/2026
1901	Annual Guest	Expired decal displayed on vehicle parked at Lodge	50.00	13830	6/5/2026
1590	Annual Guest	Vehicle pulled boat through west gate entrance	50.00	13841	6/6/2026
2054	Same	No decal displayed on vehicle parked at campground	50.00	13839	6/6/2026
2323	Guest	Expired pass displayed on vehicle parked at Lodge	50.00	13837	6/6/2026
1818	Son	Expired decal displayed on vehicle parked at Pool	50.00	13832	6/6/2026
675	Annual Guest	Expired decal displayed on vehicle parked at Pool	50.00	13833	6/6/2026
277	Same	Expired decal displayed on golf cart parked at Pool	50.00	13834	6/6/2026
2069	Same	Expired decal displayed on golf cart parked at Juniper Park	50.00	13835	6/6/2026
1574	Annual Guest	Expired decal displayed on vehicle parked at Beach I	50.00	13836	6/6/2026
5	Same	Making wake after 6:00pm on a weekend	50.00	13842	6/6/2026
1836	Same	Making wake after 6:00pm on a weekend	50.00	13844	6/6/2026
1461	Same	Illegal dumping at campground Dumpster	50.00	13846	6/7/2026
1761	Same	Expired LSA decal displayed on vehicle parked at Main Marina	50.00	13600	6/9/2026
579	Annual Guest	Expired Annual decal displayed on vehicle parked on road	50.00	13598	6/9/2026
579	Annual Guest	Annual decal and RFID tag not permanently affixed to windshield	50.00	13599	6/9/2026
1813	Same	Speeding on radar 38 mph in a 30 mph zone	100.00	13847	6/12/2026
788	Same	Expired LSA decal displayed on vehicle parked at Main Marina	50.00	13904	6/12/2026
410	Annual Guest	Expired LSA decal displayed on vehicle parked at Southgate Marina	50.00	13906	6/14/2026
2329	Annual Guest	Expired LSA decal displayed on vehicle parked on road overnight	50.00	13850	6/14/2026
584	Same	Expired LSA decal displayed on Polaris at pool	50.00	13907	6/14/2026
907	Same	Outdoor lighting left on after 10:00pm when not present at campground 2nd violation in 12 month period	100.00	13908	6/14/2026
2180	Annual Guest	Vehicle left at Maintenance parking lot for 4 days	50.00	13851	6/16/2026
58	Same	Speeding on radar 39 mph in a 30 mph zone	100.00	13909	6/18/2026
1343	Annual Guest	Speeding on radar 43 mph in a 30 mph zone	150.00	13910	6/18/2026
2322	Same	Lighting fireworks off at house	50.00	13913	6/19/2026
2072	Same	Outdoor lighting left on after 10:00pm when not present at campground	50.00	13746	6/20/2026
1420	Same	Expired LSA boat decal displayed on boat	50.00	13915	6/20/2026
1536	Same	Expired LSA boat decal displayed on boat	50.00	13918	6/20/2026
1536	Same	Expired LSA boat decal displayed on boat	50.00	13917	6/20/2026
2250	Same	Expired LSA boat decal displayed on boat	50.00	13616	6/20/2026
2201	Same	Expired decal on golf cart parked at Pool	50.00	13920	6/23/2026
1569	Same	Expired decal displayed on vehicle parked at Beach I	50.00	13924	6/24/2026
142	Same	Speeding on radar 38 mph in a 30 mph zone	100.00	13923	6/24/2026
1596	Same	Failure to stay one full night in a 7 day period at campground	50.00	13748	6/29/2026
1586	Same	Failure to stay one full night in a 7 day period at campground	50.00	13749	6/29/2026
2180	Same	Vehicle parked on side of road overnight	50.00	13857	6/30/2029

WARNINGS

6 - Expired LSA decal displayed on vehicle
6 - Expired Annual decal displayed on vehicle
5 - Failure to stay 1 night in a 7 day period
3 - Golf cart parked in a no parking zone
3 - Failure to stay two nights on a holiday weekend at campground
2 - Dog roaming
1 - Vehicle parked on side of road overnight
1 - Vehicle parked on grass at Duck Park
1 - Vehicle parked in handicap spot with no handicap plates or placard
1 - Vehicle parked blocking stop sign on Edgewood & Lake Summerset Rd.
1 - Unregistered golf cart parked at pool
1 - Trailer parked overnight on road; no cones visible
1 - RFID tag not permanently affixed to windshield
1 - Recliner Chair sitting in front of garage on driveway
1 - Non potable water hose used to supply water to camper per IDPH guidelines
1 - No life jackets in canoe while on the water
1 - No decal displayed on vehicle parked at Main Marina
1 - No decal displayed on vehicle parked at Beach I
1 - Kiddie Pool over 12" in height
1 - Illinois registration numbers not on side of boat properly
1 - Golf cart parked on green area at the Pool
1 - Golf cart parked in handicap area at Beach I
1 - Golf cart parked in green area at Juniper Park
1 - Expired guest pass displayed on vehicle parked on side of road
1 - Decal not permanently affixed to windshield
1 - Failure to spend the first night of registration at campground

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Eye Wear Is Mandatory

Every motor-driven cycle, snowmobile, go-cart or any other motorized vehicle operator is required to wear eye protection in conformance with State regulations. Citations will be issued to all violators.

Automatic Gates

Only vehicles registered with the office by members in good standing, who have both a valid driver's license and a current LSA window decal displayed on their vehicle, may use the automatic gates. Members wishing to use the automatic gates must register allowed vehicles at the LSA office and pay a one-time, non-refundable, non-transferable \$30 fee for member vehicles to receive a RFID tag to operate the gates. All RFID tag users must abide by the

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The “ECC Guidelines for Lot Mowing” applies to lot owners who do their own mowing as well as to contract mowers. The owner of each lot in the Development shall mow said lot at such times as may be reasonably required in order to prevent the unsightly growth of vegetation and noxious weeds thereon. (See Blue Book, Section 2, Page 8, Paragraph G). The following guidelines will apply: Reasonable care should be exercised by contract mowers to leave a minimal stubble height without scalping. Turning on or throwing cut material on adjacent lots will not be tolerated. Lots should be mowed before the average growth of grass reaches 12 inches in height. Lots with thistles and other noxious weeds must be mowed, regardless of the height of the grass. Lots with clumps of legumes, such as alfalfa or clover, must be mowed regardless of the height of the grass. All of the above conditions will apply to wooded, as well as unwooded lots. Forced mowing will follow inspections and will be executed whenever any of the above conditions exist. Lot mowing shall include trimming of weeds proximate to parked tractors, camper tops and boats. (Redbook section 11.1 formerly section K, page 22) **ECC Recommended 2025 Redbook Change for Contractor Hours of Work Restriction (Redbook section 15.1.8 added as follows):** “Contractor working hours shall be limited to 7am to 7pm on most days and 8am to 4pm on Sundays and Holidays where the work being performed results in disruptive or excessive noise. Restricted work outside of these time constraints includes but is not limited to heavy equipment use, pile driving, lawn mowing and leaf or grass blowing.” Inspection of lots will be held May 20, June 10, July 1, August 1, September 1, and October 1. Only those lots on the list will be forced mowed. If one of your lots should be forced mowed, a fee will be charged according to forced mowing charges established on a yearly basis. No exceptions. Revised 01/25

Mowing Contractors

Inspection Dates: May 20, June 10, July 1, Aug. 1, Sept. 1, & Oct. 1

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Force Mowing Citations

The June 10, 2026 Force Mowing inspection found the following lots to be in violation of Blue Book section 2, page 8, paragraph G. Each lot is fined \$150. 93, 127, 158, 241, 247, 294, 317, 319, 334, 424, 430, 431, 579, 591, 640, 641, 710, 756, 772, 782, 795, 924, 988, 1031, 1043, 1054, 1057, 1060, 1085, 1091, 1110, 1235, 1303, 1380, 1454, 1587, 1603, 1628, 1660, 1662, 1694, 1707, 1713, 1716, 1721, 1734, 1739, 1740, 1743, 1753, 1758, 1759, 1763, 1789, 1812, 1819, 1820, 1846, 1857, 1859, 1867, 1873, 1880, 1882, 1893, 1903, 1970, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2066, 2078, 2079, 2130, 2138, 2160, 2221, 2222, 2271, 2296, 2300, 2302, 2335, 2351

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Bocce Ball Club: Some Hot Competition

By Randy Myers
Wow after eleven weeks of play we have no undefeated team, three teams with only two losses, two teams with only three losses and one team with only two wins. The competition is tough and any team could win it all this year with 11 more weeks to go. This is what we call normalcy in LS Bocce, twenty four teams with fun and fellowship galore. A big thanks to LSA for sealcoating and striping. It looks great!

Making friends through Bocce is a big part of playing. The Bocce Club is open to all Lake Summerset adult residents and lot owners. We have the courts reserved on Thursdays, May through September, and play regularly scheduled games starting at 9:30 A.M. each week. Come join us at the bocce courts this summer. More news on our bigger and better Website. LSBocce.club

Pinochle Card Club

By JoAnn Leith
Only three card players showed up for Pinochle on June 16th, but they still enjoyed playing three handed with a kitty of three cards. Phil Brannon was our winner. The next game date was on July 6th with six

players showing up with two new players, Vic & Sherry Scheck. They quickly learned and Phil Brannon & Chuck Hillebrand were the winners. The next play dates for Pinochle are July 21st and August 4th & 16th. Hope to see more players participating.

Hand & Foot News

By JoAnn Leith
We had a good turnout for our Hand & Foot card club with fourteen members attending. We had one new player, Jim Stefan, who actually won first place, which shows that anyone can win, it's mostly the luck of the cards. He took first place of \$5, I took second for \$4, Judy Hoeksema won \$3 and Jean Beim won \$2. On our second play date, the 6th of July, we had a terrific turnout of twenty mem-

bers. We had five tables of four playing this fun game. Janet Bielat won first place of \$7, Judy Hoeksema won \$5, Roger Johnson took \$4 and Emily Temple won \$3 and Vic Scheck got his \$1 back. If we have five tables playing, we have five winners, four tables, four winners. All money is given back as prize money, and it only cost a dollar to play. Next play dates are July 27th and August 3rd & 24th, first & fourth Mondays of every month.

Ladies of the Lake: Enjoying The Summer

By Jan Gorman
Our group, along with spouses and friends, enjoyed the afternoon at Hawks Mill Winery in Brownstown, Wi. Many of us sampled the wines from dry red to sweet whites and shared our favorites. Some decided to enjoy a New Glarus beer instead of wine, and a few just enjoyed a soft drink. Many ordered food and we all talked and laughed. A fun day for our group. We once again want to thank everyone for their support of our club. If you spent the afternoon with us at the Fashion Show, donated or bought an item or two at the LS garage sales, we thank you. Your support let us donate to LS activities such as the Family Fun Day "Foam Blaster" and the Fireworks. We hope your family enjoyed both. Our next fun activity will be on Sept.14th. We will hold our annual Bocce Day, weather permitting. A nice way to come and mingle, meet our members, see what we are about, and play a game of bocce. No experience needed. More information in next month's article. Our next Ladies of the Lake meeting will be Monday August 10th. We meet in the LS Lodge at 2pm. Come join us.



Durand Lions Club News Press Release

**By DorothyAnne Huff
Publicist Durand Lions Club
June/July 2026 Recap**
The Durand Lions Club had an active start to the summer, continuing its tradition of service, fellowship, and community involvement. In June, the Durand Lions Club celebrated growth by welcoming three new members during a special induction ceremony. We are excited to have these new volunteers join its mission of serving the Durand and surrounding communities and look forward to the talents and enthusiasm they bring. Please welcome: Lion Chenin Congrave-Rude, and Lions Rick and Dee Bernath. The Durand Lions Club also continued their commitment to fighting hunger by assisting with monthly Durand Food Pantry deliveries, helping ensure local families receive much-needed food and essential supplies. Please stop into Tempo in Durand to check out the literacy Library. Co-sponsored by Laura and Carl owners and Durand Lions Club and for information Contact Lion DorothyAnne Huff Literacy Coordinator. The Durand Lions Club welcomes anyone interested in making a difference in the community to serve others. Meetings are held on the Second, Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Solutions Bank. Durand Lions Club 2026 Induction of Officers: President Lion Patti Dini, 1st Vice President - Lion Rick Light, 2nd Vice President - Lion Jurgen Gallagher, Secre-

tary- Lion Kathleen Tresemer, Treasurer -Lion Greg Ryan, 2yr Directors -Lion DorothyAnne Huff and Lion Steve Vasser, 1yr Directors Lion Lynn Myers and Lion Dave Babler and Tail Twister - Terry Eberle, Lion Tamer- Dave Babler, Membership Chair- Lion Russ Sarver, and Past President- Lion Bob Woelky. Inducted by Lion Durane Collman Past District-D1 Governor. On July 4th, Durand Lions Club members proudly participated in the Durand Independence Day Parade, delighting parade-goers by handing out small plush Lions and candy along the parade route. The Durand Lions Club float featured club members and officers, along with the Queen of Hearts -Jenny Black and Joker- Mia, who officially kicked off the 2026 Durand Lions Queen of Hearts Progressive Raffle. Stop out to Cimino's in Durand for tickets. Drawings will be held Monday Nights at 7pm with the first one starting Monday, July 20th and the Jackpot starts at \$25,000. Adding to the 2026 festive celebration, representing this year are Miss Liberty - Katherine Puckett and Master Firecracker -Wyatt Schmerse who led the float while riding in Lion Sybil Wagner's Thunderbird with Durand Lions Club President Patti Dini, helping spread patriotic spirit throughout the community. To learn more or to become a Lion to help with upcoming service projects that support our community. Please Contact: Publicist Lion DorothyAnne via email: Dahuff2016@gmail.com or cell 815-289-5425.

New Life Women's Bible Study

By Carol Gattolin
We "bible babes" feel blessed to be able to gather together every Tuesday morning from 9:30 am to 11:30 am at the Lodge to learn more about God's Word, be inspired with special music, share our praises and concerns and be de-

lighted with our mutual friendships. Please join us. Currently we are studying the gospel of John and learning the extent of God's love for us. If you have questions or need a ride, call Carol Gattolin at 847-814-2677.

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The June winner of the Fish Club Photo contest is Paxson Minkie (13). He caught his fish off the Dam.





LSA Photography Club



By Kathy Webster

The winner of the June - WILD Challenge was Vickie DeFranco! Congratulations to all winners! 2nd place to Bret Waddington, 3rd place tied by Terri Zawiski and Marilyn Grossman! This was a fun challenge. Vickie chose a theme that went along with Independence Day!

July's photo challenge winner was Bret Waddington! 2nd Place went to Sybil Wagner; 3rd Place went to Sharon Schwarzbauer! Congratulations winners! The August Challenge will be: Summer nights-Any night-time activity; cookouts, bonfires, night fishing or boating, stargazing, fireworks, nighttime ballgames...To add more to this challenge, we are looking for images that are cropped well, have all of the subject in the frame and without body parts or pieces cropped off! The photo must also have a straight horizon!

During the July meeting we focused on lighting conditions. In photography, light conditions dictate the mood, texture, and clarity of your shot. The quality of light falls into two categories: hard light (like direct midday sun), which creates intense contrast and sharp shadows, and soft light (like an overcast sky or golden hour), which wraps gently around subjects with minimal shadows. Understanding the direction of this light is just as crucial. Front-lighting illuminates the subject evenly but can make it look flat, while side-lighting sculpts the subject by casting deep shadows, dramatically highlighting textures, and contours.

Your physical positioning—both where you stand relative to the light and how you angle your camera—transforms how

that light interacts with your subject. Positioning yourself between the main light source and your subject ensures they are brightly lit, while placing the light behind your subject creates a striking silhouette or a glowing “halo” effect known as backlighting. Be aware that when the light is behind the camera source it can cast shadows that you may not want. Furthermore, changing your camera's height alters the story of the image: a low-angle shot can make a subject look powerful and grand, while a high-angle shot often makes them look smaller and more vulnerable.

After a short educational presentation, we went to Nicholas Conservatory and Gardens in Rockford, where we practiced this information. We arrived at the Gardens around 11am which made light conditions challenging. The Nicholas Conservatory and Gardens offers stunning photography backdrops featuring lush tropical indoor spaces, scenic outdoor water features, and a gorgeous riverfront setting. We even met some unfriendly Red-winged Blackbirds.

Want to learn more about your smart-phone camera, or any other camera? Come Join Us! The photography club is open to anyone interested in improving their photography skills! No experience needed! We welcome all people interested whether using cell phones or cameras! Join us at one of our meetings!

Upcoming Meetings At The Lsa Office
Wed, Aug 12, 6pm-8pm
Sat, Sep 12, 9am-11am

Find us on Facebook: Lake Summerset Photography Club - For LSA Members Email: lakesummersetphotography@gmail.com



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Front	Between light and subject	Bright, flat, clear	Vlogs, product shots
Side	Facing subject (light at 90°)	Dramatic, high-contrast	Showing texture, moody photos
Back	Facing light (subject in middle)	Glowing edges, silhouettes	Golden hour, artistic shots
45° Angle	Facing subject (light at diagonal)	Natural, cinematic, flattering	Portraits, interviews



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Species		Min Length to Keep	Daily Creel Limit	
			Members Including Accompanying Guests	Individual Family Member w/Permit
	Perch	10"	5	2
	Catfish	14"	4	2
	Crappie*	10"	5	2
	Northern**	30"	2	1
	Muskie**	51"	1	1
	SM Bass	21"	1	0
	Carp	None	No Limit	No Limit
	Bullhead	None	No Limit	No Limit
	Bluegill	Up to 8"	25 in Combo with Crappie	10 in Combo with Crappie
		Over 8"	5 in Combo with Crappie	2 in Combo with Crappie
	Walleye	Under 16"	0	0
		16"-20"	2	1
		Over 20" to 28"	0	0
		Over 28"	1	1
	LM Bass	Under 13"	5	2
		13"-22"	0	0
		Over 22"	1	0

* Crappie season closed from "Ice-Out" thru June 15th

****Targeting Muskie or Northern Pike from June 15th through September 15th is prohibited.** Targeting these fish is defined as fishing for the primary purpose of catching these species (during this period) using specifically designed baits, equipment and techniques developed and used with the intent of attracting these particular fish.

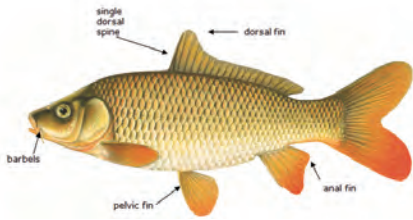


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conventional hook and line methods or by bowfishing (free bowfishing permit required from the office). There is no creel or size limit associated with carp harvesting.



JT The Plant Guy



About this time of year is when the grass likes to call it quits because it’s way too hot and dry. The grass looks abysmal, the dry brown look of a lawn that has seen better (wetter) days. There is a remedy for a dry tan looking lawn and it is flourishing is some of our lawns right now...yes, during the hottest part of the summer and this long-ago lawn staple loves all this heat and humidity.

Before I tell you what this lawn plant is you must save your comments until I have finished before you completely give up on me. Ok, here goes. The lawn plant I’m talking about is White Clover. Yep, up until the late 1950s clover was a STANDARD component of American lawns. Seed mixes included it on purpose. So, what happened? Why is it considered a blasphemous weed? Broadleaf herbicides (weed killer) were invented, and they killed the White Clover because it had broad leaves and not skinny leaves like grass. So, the chemical companies rebranded White Clover as a weed -to sell more herbicides. That’s it. That’s why we cringe at the sight of White Clover in our well-maintained lawns.

Clover isn’t a weed. It might be the answer to a more diversified lawn. Let me qualify that. White Dutch Clover (Tri-

folium repens) is kind of a mid-summer lawn saver. It is self-fertilizing. It fixes nitrogen, meaning taking nitrogen out of the air and putting it into the soil. No fertilizer is needed. It feeds the grass around it for free. It’s drought resistant. When the grass is turning brown due to drought the Clover is still green like a lawn should look. It chokes out weeds but not grass so this limits the need for weed killer which ends up in our water supply and our lake here at LSA. My favorite benefit of White Clover is it stays 4-6 inches tall and requires mowing once a month, not weekly.

I understand the standard lawn nowadays is strictly broadleaf free and fertilized to the maximum. I also know we are using more chemicals to get a lawn that is the envy of the neighborhood. Less chemicals may be an environmentally friendly alternative for our future. I think there was a reason lawn seed included White Clover way back when, but now our expectations of what a lawn should look like has changed. However you look at this little bit of ‘Lawn Lore’ it’s worth thinking about and that’s why we’re here with these little pearls of wisdom. See you on the lawn mower, JT The Plant Guy

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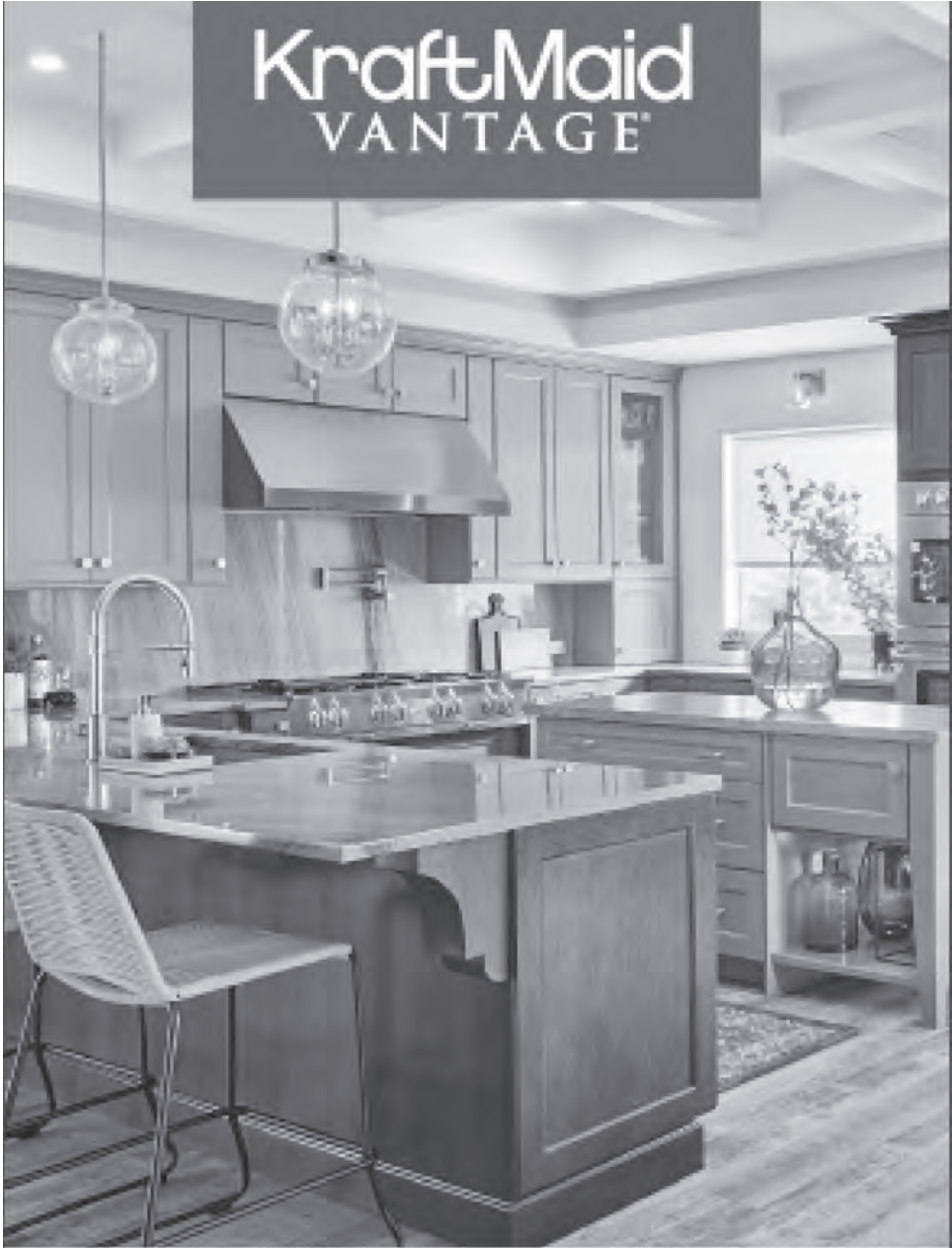
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Please make sure the trees to be removed have been marked prior to tree cutter cutting it down. There should be a number in orange spray paint on the tree if it has been approved for removal.

The tree inspector goes out at least once a week to do approvals.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						August 1 9:00am ECC (Office) 10:00am Dog Club Party (Lodge) 10:00am CRC Mtg. - Coffee at 9:30am (Office) 1:00pm Citation Review (Office)
2	3 1:00pm Hand & Foot (Lodge) 7:00pm Writing Gals (Lodge)	4 9:30am Bible Study (Lodge) 1:00pm Pinochle (Lodge)	5 12:00pm Red Hats - Outing - No Lodge 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)	6 9:00am Roads Sub-Committee (Office) 10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts) 1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Lodge) 7:00pm Fish Club (Office)	7 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)	8 9:00am Campground Committee Meeting (Campground) 1:00pm Ice Cream Party (Lodge)
9	10 2:00pm Ladies of the Lake (Lodge) 7:00pm Board Meeting (Office)	11 9:30am Bible Study (Lodge) 6:30pm Book Club (Office)	12 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office) 6:00pm Photography Club (Office)	13 10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts) 1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Lodge) 6:30pm Veteran's Club (Office)	14 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)	15 8:30am Finance Committee (Office) 9:00am ECC (Office)
16	17 7:00pm Writing Gals (Lodge)	18 9:30am Bible Study (Lodge) 1:00pm Pinochle (Lodge)	19 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)	20 10:00am Quilt Club (Lodge) 10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts) 1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Lodge) 6:30pm Safety Committee (Office) 7:00pm Fish Conserv. Com.(Office)	21 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)	22 8:30am Finance Committee (Office) 6:30pm Bingo Night (Lodge)
23	24 1:00pm Hand & Foot (Lodge)	25 9:30am Bible Study (Lodge) 6:30pm Otter Creek Trustee Meeting (Office)	26 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)	27 10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts) 1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Lodge) 6:30pm Long Range & Facility Planning (LRFP) (Office)	28 1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)	29 8:00am Lake Planning (Office)
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